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appears in the Local description of a 100 Acre grant issued to Adam Arbogast bearing date of 1811 and Recorded in the Pendleton Grant Book .

This instance occurred shortly after the first settlement was made on the upper Greenbrier, who were John Yeager, Abram Burner, John Slavín, and Adam Arbogast, and William Houchin. This first settlement on the Upper Greenbrier now Travelers Repose was made immediately after the Revolutionary War. about the year of 1784 or 1785.

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The Mountain between the Knapps Creek, and Thomas Creek , and South of Sittlingtons Creek has been Locally Known as Michael Mountain , This of mountain is crossed by Sittlingtons Creek north of Michael Mountain in a rather low Gap at the conjunction of Buzards Creek , and again by the deep gorge of Knapps Creek at Minnahaha Springs , which terminates Browns Mountain on the South.

On the north end of Beaver Lick Mountain the White Medina quartzite rises in a vertical cliff to 3,662 feet , while continuation of the same rock marks the Southern end of Michael Mountain with an elevation of 3,652 feet .

The Michael Mountain Fire Tower , is situated on the southern end of the Mountain which is in the bounds of the Seneca State Forest, This Fire Tower was built by the State , of West Va in the year of 1923.

The Michael Mountain is very rough, and rugged, and is a haunt for the Deer of the Seneca Forest which cross the Michael and move on to the Allegheny Mountain .

The Michael Mountain bears the name of Michael Daugherty, who was one of Knapps Creeks very early settlers , who came to that region from Ireland in the year of 1770, he was one of the very best citizens , of the pioneers of Pochontas County . He was a great hunter and sportsman , he would pride himself in the extraordinary feat, of walking in on a Bear with a hunting knife or a club , while the dogs were attracting the attention of the bear in the front At one time his dogs had cornered a bear some where on the Michael Mountain this event appears to be in his old days, not being very agile, he undertook to wade in upon the bear with his hunting knife, as the hunter struck his knife home, the big bear struck him with his paw, and crippled him in such a manner, that he died from the wounds. and it was thereafter called Michaels Mountain .

Buzards Creek , and Daugherty Ridge, was named in honor of Michael Daugherty,

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TACKETS FORK is a branch of the North Fork Creek , and gives rise near the top of the Allegheny Mountain at a low place called the " Pole Bars" and has a length of 2.6 miles with a fall of 1085 feet , with a fall of 293.2 feet per mile; and has an area of drainage basin of 2.33 square miles. The head of Tackets Fork is still covered with the virgin Forest of about 1000 Acres of hard wood , (No timber of any kind had been cut in this tract of the Virgin forest which was left by the Lumber Company that owned the land while the Lumber Companies were in operation in Pocahontas County. the same tract of Timber extends across Little Ridge a spur of the Allegheny Mountain , and through the head of Sutton Run, and is the only tract of the virgin forest that has not ^{been} cut or culled out by the Lumber Companies , it is now owned by the U.S.- F.S being in the bounds of the Monongahela National Forest ; In years to come the U.S. - F.S. may build a truck roads to the head of Tackets Fork and the Sutton Run for the purpose of operating all the merchantable timber in this tract of vacated timber land.)

Tackets Fork received its name from an old pioneer by the name of " Tacket" Tacket was an old hunter and made the dressing of hides a specialty He had a cabin built near the mouth of the Tackets Fork the foundation of which is plain to be seen at the present time., There is a tradition that his name was Christopher Tacket , and that he was killed by the Indians on the Kanawha River while defending a Fort . If this be true it was in the year of 1788 . (As shown by the history Trans- Allegheny Pioneers)